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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 form.

In view of the waiver by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, and for all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 after June 30, 2003, no copies of such documents are enclosed. Copies of the other documents listed on the PTO-1449 form are enclosed.

An explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is given in the attached English abstracts and on page 4 of the specification. Also, JPA 9-160899 is in the same patent family as U.S. Patent No. 5,842,023.

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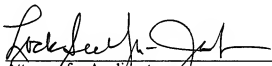
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A copy of each cited application, as originally filed, is enclosed.


It is respectfully requested that the above information and the enclosed documents be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the PTO-1449 form be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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